WAIVING OF THE PENAL INTEREST ON TAKAVI LOANS GRANTED TO RYOTS OF PAVAGADA TALUK.

*Q.—304. Sri P. ANJANAPPA (Sira).—

Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether they are aware that there was no sufficient rainfall in Pavagada Taluk for the last 4 or 5 years;

(*b*) whether they intend to sanction remission of land revenue to the said Taluk;

(*c*) whether they intend to waive the penal interest on the Takavi loan granted to the ryots, who are in distress or whether the ryots would be permitted to pay in instalments?

*A.—Sri KADIDAL MANJAPPA (Minister for Revenue).—

(*a*) The rainfall recorded in the Taluk during the past 4 years is as under.—

1957	...	462.8	millimeters.
1958	...	506	,,
1959	...	520.5	,,
1960	...	418	,,

(*b*) Action has been taken for suspending recovery of assessment by coercive methods in areas affected by scarcity conditions.

(*c*) In all such areas, recovery of land improvement and tagai arrears by coercive steps, is not being resorted to. The question of waiving the penal interest on takavi loans due to Government will be considered at the appropriate time, on receipt of recommendations from the local officers.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

Mr. SPEAKER.—I have received a message from the Governor. I will read the letter itself. It is addressed to the Members of the Mysore Legislative Assembly.

> "I have received with great satisfaction the expression of your Thanks for the speech with which I opened the Budget Session 1961 of both Houses of Legislature."

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Mr. SPEAKER.—I have received a letter from Sri A. S. Dudhya Naik, an Hon'ble Member of this House requesting leave of absence from 13th March and onwards from all the meetings of the current Session as he has been deputed to undergo training in Community Development at Mussoorie.